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GRIMBALL OF EDISTO ISLAND

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(Continued from April)

12.

John Grimball (Paul 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1), son of Paul Grimball (7) and his third wife Mary—, was born between Nov. 1746, and December 1747, for on December 2, 1768, he gives receipt to William Maxwell, executor of Joshua Grimball deceased, who was the surviving executor of Paul Grimball, for the personal property and titles of lands, left to him by his father.¹ James Wright and James Robert witnesses.

On December 14, 1768, as John Grimball of St. Lukes Parish, planter, he released to Thomas Searson, 194 acres, part of 1000 acres originally granted to Capt. Charles Odingsell, bounding west on Col. Daniel Heyward, South on John Grimball, East on the estate of John Sealy, and — on branch of Port Royal River.²

On 25 Nov. 1773, as John Grimball, son of Paul, he gives bond for £10000 to John Grimball, son of Isaac, to secure the latter from any obligation which might arise from the fact that John, son of Paul, had been buying and selling lands and negroes under the appellation of John Grimball, Junior, when it should have been Senior; signed John Grimball Sr., James Pelot, Samuel Pelot and John Swinton witnesses.³

On 26 July, 1778, as of St. Peter's Parish, with Elizabeth his wife, planter, he conveys to Abraham Ginerat (?) 400 acres in several tracts, on New River, Calf Pen Bay, sold to him by Elias Robert, John Audebert and Elias Robert witnesses.⁴

A family record states that this John Grimball married Elizabeth Robert, a daughter of Jacques Robert and Elizabeth Jaudon, this is confirmed by a Robert family chart; his sister Ann Grimball,

¹ Probate Court, 1765-69, page 462.

² M. C., Office, Book N 3, page 16.

³ P. C., 1774-79, page 84.

⁴ M. C. O. Book H-5, page 17.

married Peter Robert Junr., brother to Elizabeth, and to the Elias Robert of the deed above.⁵ John Grimball died before Feb. 6, 1795, for on that date Paul Grimball Junr., of Beaufort district conveyed to William Evans of Edisto Island, two tracts of land, in all 600 acres, conveyed to Paul Grimball Sr. of Edisto Island 10 Nov. 1750, by Richard Ash. The said 600 acres at the death of Paul Grimball Sr. fell to his son Paul, as heir at law; this second Paul died leaving an only child and daughter Martha, at whose death, without issue, the said lands reverted to Paul Grimball Junr., by right of his father John Grimball, who was eldest brother to the said Paul Grimball, son of Paul.⁶

According to a family record, Elizabeth Robert, widow of John Grimball, married after his death, Rev. Alexander Scott, moved to Woodville, Miss. in 1810, and died in 1818 at Bayou Boeuf, La. A son by her second marriage was a Governor of Miss.

John Grimball and his wife Elizabeth had issue:

- i. Paul Grimbal Junr. of St. Peters Parish, Beaufort Dist. born 11 Oct. 1773; died 23 April, 1841, in Rapides parish, La. Married Esther Jaudon, born in S. C. 12 July 1777, died in Rapides parish, La., 22 Oct. 1822. They are said to have had five daughters; Mary, who married John Caliham; Sarah Robert, born in S. C. Oct. 4, 1805, married in Louisiana, Dr. J. D. Wright; Ann, who married Mr. Foland?; Jane, a Mr. Pompfrey, and Amanda, a Mr. Crawford.
- ii. John Grimball, have no data concerning him beyond a family chart which states that he moved away about 1806, with 60 people, all of the family connection; he is also stated to have married a first cousin, Mary (or Ann) Robert, daughter of Peter Robert and Ann Grimball, and have had three daughters, Sarah, Esther and Elizabeth, and one Son, Paul Jabez Grimball, who married and left issue.
- iii. Providence Grimball, who married a Mr. McNeely.

⁵ This Magazine, current vol. page 41.

⁶ M. C. O. Book R-6, page 93, and this vol. page 40.

13.

Joseph Grimbball (Thomas 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1.) born 1746 or later, died intestate before 23 Oct. 1777, when John Grimbball, [son of Isaac] and "Mrs. Sison" administered; estate valued at 6000 Pounds, Samuel Porcher, Paul Porcher, and John Booker appraisors. He is said to have married Mary Elliott; little appears about him on the records; it is stated that he had several daughters, most of them dying unmarried, and one son, Thomas Grimbball, who was brought up by his cousin and uncle-in-law, John Grimbball (son of Isaac) and to have married Ann Audibertin S. C. and to have moved with his family to Miss. about 1810, and died there; the issue of Thomas Grimbball and Ann Audibert were: 1. John A. Grimbball, married Eugenia Bracy, had one daughter, Laura, who married T. J. Lenoir. 2. Thomas, born in 1800; died unmarried. 3. Leroy, unmarried. 4. Caroline, married Dr. Theophilus Hawkins. 5. Eliza A., who married Dr. David McRae and had issue. 6. Daughter —.

14.

Joshua Grimbball (Joshua 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1.) born 1744 or earlier, lived on Edisto Island; married 29 Oct: 1765, Hannah Rippon, widow (St. Philip's Register). He gave William Maxwell, executor of his father Joshua Grimbball, a receipt for his one fourth, or child's share of the estate on 8 Nov. 1766,⁷ and died intestate before March 8, 1768, when Hannah Grimbball and Benjamin Jenkins advertised his estate.⁸

His widow, Hannah Grimbball of Edisto Island also died intestate before Feb. 11, 1771, when Benjamin Jenkins administered upon her estate;⁹ her maiden name has not been found.

Joshua Grimbball and Hannah his wife had issue:

17. i. Paul Grimbball, born on Edisto Island, Oct. 1766; died 1836; married June, 1787, Sarah Chaplin, 1766-1822, of St. Helena.

⁷ P. C., 1763-67, page 511.

⁸ S. C. Gazette and Country Journal, March 8, 1768.

⁹ This *Magazine*, page 44, and vol. XX, page 232.

15.

Charles Grimbball (Isaac 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1.), merchant of CharlesTown, born 1735 or earlier, died June 1st 1770; married Sept. 9, 1756, Anne, daughter of William and Sarah Sealy; she was born at Euhaw, Indian Land, Jan: 4, 1740. After the death of Charles Grimbball she married April 4, 1774, Rev. Oliver Hart, pastor of the Baptist church in CharlesTown.¹⁰

Charles Grimbball made his will 29 May, 1770; leaves each of his children (not named) £20, and leaves the remainder of his estate to his wife Anne, who is sole executrix.

Charles Grimbball and Anne his wife had issue:

- i. Charles Isaac Grimbball, of Edisto Island, born about 1761, died — 1793, married May, 1790, Martha daughter of James Clark; they had no issue; his will mentions his wife Martha, mother Anne Hart, sister Sarah Clark, formerly Sarah Grimbball. Brother-in-law, James Clark, and wife Martha to be exors.; dated June 3, 1791; proved Feb. 4, 1794.
- ii. Sarah Grimbball, born about 1767, married 1788, James Clark, son of James Clark and Elizabeth Grimbball, and brother to Martha Clark, who married Chas. Isaac Grimbball.

16.

John Grimbball (Isaac 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1.), son of Isaac Grimbball and his second wife Rebecca Sealy, was born according to the family account, 12 Sept. 1748; his tombstone, in the Unitarian (formerly Congregational) Church Yard, states that he died Nov. 8, 1804, aged 53 years, which brings his birth date in the year 1751; this John Grimbball had lands in St. Luke's Parish, Fairfield plantation, and owned a house on South Bay in Charleston; according to his family, he was married at least six times, one wife being his cousin, a daughter of Thomas Grimbball (no. 8), and sister to Major Thomas Grimbball, Jr. and to Joseph Grimbball (no. 13), this is supported by the will of John Grimbball, who calls Thomas Grimbball, son of Joseph, his nephew. In June 1784, John Grimbball of Edisto Island, married Mrs. Ann Adams, widow of Mr.

¹⁰ Diary of Rev. Oliver Hart, *Charleston Year Book*, 1896, page 386.

John Adams.¹¹ The family account states that he married two Miss Berkley's; certainly he married some time in April, 1797, Elizabeth Berkley, daughter of Mr. John Berkley, of Wilton, planter; John Grimball being then described as of Beaufort District, planter, the marriage settlement was dated 21 April, 1797, Paul Hamilton of St. Bartholomew's Parish, and Morton Waring of Charleston being the trustees; the date of marriage is given in the Circular (Congregational) Church register, as April 2, 1797.

John Grimball's will, dated 17 December, 1801, proved 16 April, 1806, describes him as being of St. Luke's Parish Beaufort District, planter. He divides his plantation, Fairfield, from the north edge of the canal which joins near the house of Thomas Drayton Esq. on his Ocean plantation . . . to the west line of Jacob Guerard on Bee's Creek, with the use to the Old Settlement, to his wife Eliza for life or widowhood, then to his daughter Eliza Grimball; if his daughter died unmarried, then to his son John Berkley Grimball, and in case said son died unmarried under 21, then to his nephew Isaac Grimball Jenkins, son of Isaac G. Jenkins, of Edisto Island.

To son John Berkley Grimball, the tract of Fairfield plantation called the New Settlement, if he died under 21, unmarried, then to daughter Eliza Grimball, if said daughter die under 21, and unmarried then to nephew Thomas Grimball.

Wife to have use of three negroes, horses and furniture in house in Charleston, use of said house, and the house on Sullivans Island for widowhood, then to his two children, Eliza and John Berkley Grimball.

To son John Berkley Grimball, house and lot on South Bay, and if he die under 21, then daughter Eliza, and if she die under age and unmarried, then to nephew Isaac Grimball Jenkins, son of Isaac G. Jenkins, of Edisto Island. All negroes and other personal property to his son and daughter, and if they died under age and without issue, then to nephew Thomas Grimball, son of Joseph Grimball, 20 negroes, and the plantation left to son John B. Grimball. Remainder to nephews Robert and William Jenkins, sons of John Jenkins of Edisto Island, and to nephew Isaac G. Jenkins, and nieces Eliza and Providence Jenkins, children of Isaac Grimball Jenkins of Edisto Island.

¹¹ *S. C. Weekly Gazette*, Jan. 23, 1784.

To Cousin Thomas Grimball, watch, sword, and double barrelled gun.

Wife, executrix for widowhood, and friends John Potter, Morton Waring, William Smith, (son of Josiah) and Thomas Grimball to be executors. Proved before Charles Jones Jenkins, Esq. Eliza Grimball qualified, 25 April, 1806.

Eliza Grimball, widow of John, married Rev. Alexander Flinn, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in Charleston, and died before August 5th, 1844, when her will was proved; buried in a vault in the Circular Church Yard.

John Grimball and Eliza Berkley had issue:

- i. Eliza Berkley Grimball, born about 1798, died 1863; married May 1824 (Marriage Settlement) Martin L. Wilkins, and had issue.
- ii. John Berkley Grimball, born 23 June, 1800, died Mar. 7, 1893, buried at Magnolia, married 10 Mar. 1830, Margaret Ann Morris (called Meta) daughter of Col. Lewis Morris, and Elizabeth Manigault of Morrisania, New York and Wilton, St. Paul's Parish, S. C. She died in 1863, buried in Magnolia. He was at one period President of the Charleston Library Society.

They had issue:

1. Elizabeth Berkley, married William Munroe, no issue.
2. Berkley, died unmarried.
3. Lewis M. married Miss Legg, two sons who left no issue.
4. William H. died unmarried.
5. John Grimball, born in Charleston, S. C. April 18, 1840, died there Dec. 25, 1922; was a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis; distinguished officer in the Confederate Navy.¹² He married first, 1875, Miss Catherine Moore of Ala. who died the same year; he married second, in 1886, Mary Georgiana Barnwell, (had four sons, i. Wm. Heyward, who married Panchita Heyward and has issue. ii. Arthur umd. iii. John Berkley, und iv George Elliott, who

¹² For sketch of his life, see *News and Courier*, Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922.

married Frances Buist and has issue.) 6. Arthur, died unmarried. 7. Gabriella Manigault, unmarried. 8. Charlotte Manigault, unmarried. 9. Harry Morris, married Helen Trenholm, (had ten children; Elizabeth Berkeley, unmarried; Eliza Trenholm, married H. B. Lindsey; Margaret Ann Morris; Helen Margaret, married F. C. Howland; Edward Trenholm (daughter), died young; Harry Morris, married Margarite Leonard; Berkeley, married Anne Strohecker; Gabriella Manigault, married Francis Marion Whaley; Lewis Morris, und. and Delancy Izard, md. Helen Louise Sutton.) 10. Harriett M. died young.

17.

Paul Grimbball (Joshua 4. Joshua 3. Thomas 2. Paul 1.), born 1766, died 1832, married June 1787, Sarah Chaplin of St. Helena (1766-1832); his uncle in law, James Clark was appointed his guardian in October, 1781; on 14 Oct. 1789, as Paul Grimbball of Edisto Island, with Sarah his wife, he conveyed to Ralph Bailey of same place the plantation called Point of Pines, 1262 acres, bounding North on North Edisto River, East on Josiah Mikell and Paul Hamilton, South on William Mikell, West on Thomas Whaley, Joseph Fickling and James Clark.¹³ This plantation was part of a grant of 1500 to the first Paul Grimbball, who seems to have left it to his wife for life, and then to his son Thomas; Thomas Grimbball seems to have divided it between his son Paul (1000 acres) and his son Joshua (500 acres). Paul apparently gave 500 acres of his tract to his daughter Ann, and his son-in-law, John Paul Grimke; and Grimke sold this 500 acres to Joshua Grimbball, June 20, 1749¹⁴ the bounds then being N.E. on Joshua Grimbball, S.E. on Paul Grimbball, west on — Sams; the titles of all of this land have not been followed.

Paul Grimbball and Sarah Chaplin had issue:

- i. Paul Chaplin Grimbball born at St. Helena's March 17, 1788; died Oct. 3, 1864; married 1814, Eliza

¹³ M. C. O. B-6, page 557.

¹⁴ Ibid E. E. page 126 and 130.

(Jenkins) Hanscome, widow, eldest daughter of Benjamin Jenkins.¹⁵ She was born 8 Aug. 1786, and died 19 Dec. 1850, buried in St. John's Churchyard, John's Island; Paul Grimball is buried in Sumter District. They had issue: 1. Eliza Ann 1815-1836. 2. Benjamin Jenkins, 1820-1838. 3. Isaac Paul, 1822-1898, married 1845 Eliza Jenkins, (1836-1901) they had six children, some of whom have left issue. 4. Thomas Hanscome, 1824-1864, married 1857, Sarah Patterson Bailey, who died 1914; his will is on file in Barnwell; he left issue living, one son Henry Bailey Grimball who married and has issue. 5. Pauline, 1830-1888, married Robt. C. McFadden and left issue.

- ii. William Grimball, died young.
- iii. Isaac, married Ann Croskeys, lived and died in Waterboro; left no male issue.

For the names of the later generations we have been dependent upon family information, and for lack of space are unable to bring the various lines down to date. The Compiler does not claim that the genealogy is complete, but hopes that it will be of assistance to any one interested.

¹⁵ This *Magazine*, vol. XX, page 242.